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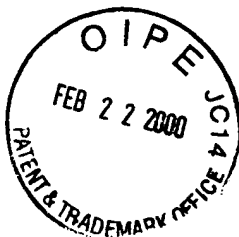
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In re Application of

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Serial No. 09/431,159

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Group Art Unit: 1754

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For: **METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING HEAVY HYDROCARBON FEEDS**

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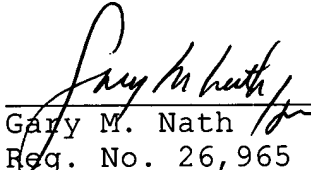
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If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss any matter regarding this application, kindly telephone the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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